NOTICE OF EMERGENCY RULE PROMULGATION

AGENCY: Department of Marine Resources

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 12 M.R.S.A. Sections 6172 and 6192

RULE PROMULGATION: DMR Regulation 95.03 EE, Closed Area No. 18-CC, Merepoint,

Brunswick, is promulgated

TEXT OF RULE: DMR Regulation 95.03 EE, Closed Area No. 18-CC, Merepoint, Brunswick

Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels taken from the shores, flats, and waters of the Maquoit Bay inside of a line beginning at Merepoint, then extending southwest to navigational buoy N"2", then extending northeast to the southwest end of Monument Lane.

Violation of any provision of this regulation shall be a Class D Crime (12 M.R.S.A. Section 6204)

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 29, 2004

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STATEMENT OF FACT AND POLICY

The Commissioner of the Maine Department of Marine Resources promulgates the emergency DMR Regulation 95.03 EE, Closed Area No. 18-CC, Merepoint, Brunswick. This new regulation closes the southwest tip of Merepoint due to failing water quality.

Department personnel have determined that the closed area is subject to intermittent microbiological pollution due to non-point pollution, which poses a threat to public health.

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DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

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C18-CC Merepoint, Brunswick

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